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Paper I

Section I

1. How did the outbreak of the Second World War affect India's political scene? Did the Cripps Mission resolve the political crisis in India (about 250 words)? (35) OR Trace the emergence of Gandhiji in Indian political scene till the Champaran Satyagraha of 1917. What was the basic philosophy of Satyagraha enunciated by him (About 250 words)?
2. Answer any two of the following (15 × 2 = 30)
    a. Discuss the outstanding Tribal uprisings against the British rule during the nineteenth century.
    b. What is meant by 'un-British' rule in India? How did the Indian nationalists react against it? Evaluate the role of Dadabhai Naoroji in exposing the evils of British rule in India.
    c. Discuss the British policy towards Tibet from the end of the nineteenth century to the Viceroyalty of Lord Curzon (About 150 words each).
3. Answer any three of the following: (10 × 3 = 30)
    a. What were the contributions of the Moderates in the formative stage of the Indian National Congress?
    b. Explain the part played by Annie Besant in the Home Rule Movement.
    c. In what way did the international events in the late twenties of the present century influence Jawaharlal Nehru's radical views?
    d. Why did Tagore emphasize on the primacy of the social over the political order (About 75 words each)?
4. Answer the following questions
    a. Write about the chief features of the following: (About 20 words on each) (2 × 15 = 30)
        i. Dev Devali
        ii. Gandhara School of Art
        iii. Indian Ballet
    b. What do you know about the following?
        i. Tana Bhagat Movement
        ii. Satyashodak Movement

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iii. Khilafat Movement

c. Where are the following located and what are they famous for?

i. Lothal

ii. Lumbini

iii. Vailanlenni

d. Why have the following become famous?

i. N G Ranga

ii. C Y Chintamani

iii. Sir William Wedderburn

iv. Narendra Dev

v. M R Jayakar

vi. Madan Lal Dhingra

Section II

1. Examine the present status of Indo-US relations. What are the major irritants in the relations between the two countries (35)? OR Explain the background of and the reasons for the strained US-Japanese trade relations (About 250 words).
2. Attempt any three of the following: (About 100 words each) (10 × 3 = 30)
   a. What are the causes of civil strife in Rwanda?
   b. What is the stand of the Election Commission on the residential qualification of the members of the Rajya Sabha?
   c. Discuss the problem of factional politics in Afghanistan.
   d. What are the issues in the Bosnian tangle?
3. Attempt any five of the following: (About 50 words each) (5 × 6 = 30)
   a. Explain the concept of global village
   b. What are Euro issues?
   c. What are the recommendations of the Malhotra Committee?
   d. What is HAMAS?
   e. What is Marraesh Declaration?
   f. What is Eurostar?
   g. What role has India to play in the recent happenings in Myanmar?
4. Answer the following questions
   a. With which games are the following associated: (About 20 words on each) (2 × 15 = 30)
      i. Rohinton Baria Trophy
      ii. Obaidullah Gold Cup
      iii. Bunting
   b. Who are the following? Why have they been in the news recently?
      i. Arab Saha
      ii. Alexander Solzhenitsyn
      iii. Banoo Koyaji

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iv. Peter Sutherland

v. Calvin Kapil

vi. Roger Bannister

vii. Vaikom Mohammed Basheer

viii. Taslima Nasreen

c. Answers the questions below

i. Who won the Wimbledon Men's Singles Final of 1994? Who was the runner-up?

ii. Who is known as the 'Maradona of the Carpathia'

iii. Which film has got the best non-feature film award in the 41st National Film Festival Awards?

iv. How many qualifying teams played in the World Cup 1994? What is the official name of the World Cup now.

Section III

1. The test below gives the admission figures in a university, consisting of Arts and Science Faculties only, during the years 1986,1987 and 1988: The total number of students in 1986 was 6500. It increased by 8% in 1987 and further increased by 10% in 1988. The number of female students was 1000 in 1986, it increased by 12% in 1987 and further increased by 10% in 1988. Among the female students, the number of Science students was 325,396 and 473 in 1986,1987 and 1988 respectively. Among the male students, the number of Arts students was 4805,5030 and 5362 respectively, in the three years. Present the information in a tabular form. Also calculate the percentage increase of male students in 1988 as compared to 1986 (12).

2. Answer the following questions

   Draw a pie diagram to show the population figures of different regions of world in the year 1968 (State the relative percentage population figures and the corresponding angles).

Regions	Asia	America	Europe	Africa	USSR	Oceania
Population in lakhs	Population 4890	Population 4550	Population 3360	Population 2390	Population 350	Population 8

Table Supporting: Section III

Total Population 19460

b. Examine the correctness of the following report about the likings of consumers for two products A and B: 50% liked both A and B, 35% liked A but not B, and 25% liked B but not A, 4

3. Answer the following questions

a. Mention, in each case, the most appropriate diagram to represent the following data:

   a. The population figures of a state at different census.

   b. The number of educational institutions for men and for women in India in ten different years

   c. The percentage of national income from various sources in a country during a certain year

   d. The number of car accidents in a road during each of last fifty days (6)

b. The following table shows the distribution of monthly income for 580 persons:

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Monthly income (in ₹)	Less than 1000	Less than 1500	Less than 2000	Less than 2500	Less than 3000	Less than 3500	Less than 4000	Less than 4500	Less than 5000
No. Of persons	Persons = 53	Persons = 133	Persons = 254	Persons = 394	Persons = 500	Persons = 542	Persons = 560	Persons = 571	Persons = 578

Table Supporting: Section III

i. Find: The percentage of persons having income between ₹ 1500 and ₹ 2500

ii. Find: The percentage of persons having income between ₹ 3500 and ₹ 4500 (6)

4. Answer the following questions

a. State whether the following statements are true or false. Give reasons for your answer.
    a. It is dangerous to lie in bed as about 90° Io of deaths so far occurred have been in bed.
    b. Female workers in a factory are more punctual than male workers since percentage of female and male persons coming on time are 90% and 50% respectively.
    c. Road conditions have not necessarily improved because the number of road accidents has diminished (6).

b. The mean age of 50 persons was found to be 32 years. Later it was detected that age 57 was misread as 27, age 60 was misread as 35 and age-28 was misread as 33. Find the corrected mean age (6).

Paper II

Section I

1. Answer the following questions
    a. In India, though the Governor is the constitutional head of a state just as the President of the country, the former may be enjoying more powers than the latter. Do you agree? Give reasons (About 250 words). (40) OR
    b. Explain the role of the Planning Commission and the National Development Council in the formulation of public policy in India (About 250 words).
2. Answer the following questions
    a. Differentiate between indicative and target planning. Where should the Eighth Five Year Plan be placed (About 250 words)? (40) OR
    b. It is being suggested that the commercial banks in India should reduce their holdings of nonperforming assets. Does it mean that the former should abandon social priorities (About 250 words)?
3. Answer the following questions
    a. Describe the various measures taken under the Ganga Action Plan and their impact on the water quality of the river (About 250 words). (40) OR
    b. What are the diseases caused by Iodine Deficiency? What steps are beings taken to tackle the problem in India (About 250 words)?

Section II

1. Answer any two of the following (Answer to each question should be in about 150 words): (20 + 20)

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a. Explain the significance of the April 1994 Supreme Court judgement on the proclamation of President's rule.

b. Describe the emergence of Basic Structure concept in the Indian Constitution.

c. What are the major recommendations of the Swaminathan Committee's Draft National Population Policy, relating to gender issues?

d. Explain the position of the Election Commission with regard to the residential qualification of the members of the Council of States. What do you think about it?

2. Answer any two of the following (Answer to each question should be in about 150 words) (20 + 20)
   a. What was the rationale of the Mahalanobis Strategy of economic growth?
   b. Indicate briefly the tax reforms that have been introduced in India after the coming in of the New Economic Policy.
   c. Discuss the desirability of removing all controls in India on the import and export of agricultural commodities.
   d. What is innovation? What kind of economic compulsions in a country like India, you think, could really stimulate innovations?
3. Answer any two of the following (Answer to each question should be in about 150 words) (15 + 15)
   a. Why are the soils of Malwa in Madhya Pradesh black while those of Karnataka red? Discuss the relative fertility of these soils.
   b. Which part of India receives more rainfall from the northeast monsoon than from the southwest monsoon? Explain why it is so?
   c. What is exclusive economic zone of a country. Discuss its relevance to India.
   d. What is dryland agriculture? Discuss its importance to India.
4. Answer any two of the following (Answer to each question should be in about 150 words): (20 + 20)
   a. Describe briefly the different phases of India's nuclear energy programme.
   b. What are high-temperature superconductors? Describe their important applications.
   c. Describe the salient features of Project Tiger. How far has it helped in saving the tiger from extinction?
   d. What is DNA fingerprinting? which research institution in India is working in this area?

Section III

1. Answer four questions for three groups (Answer to each equation should be in about 25 words): (30)
   a. Group A
      i. What is meant by equity in taxation?
      ii. Make a case for strengthening the social sector in India.
      iii. Can excessive economic backwardness itself be a cause of excess population?
      iv. Why should fiscal deficit in India be rising again?
      v. Name the mineral which is mined at each of the following places:
         i. Neyveli
         ii. Panna
         iii. Jaduguda
      vi. What is 'El Nino'

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b. Group B
   i. Differentiate between the 'due process of law' and 'the procedure established by law' in the context of deprivation of personal liberty in India.
   ii. Explain the meaning of ex post-facto legislation.
   iii. What is Section 309 PC about? Why was it in the news recently?
   iv. What is our country's highest civilian award? Who are the two foreigners on whom the award was conferred?
   v. Indicate the provisions of Indian Constitution relating to Secularism.
   vi. Four more languages were added to the 8^{th} Schedule of the Constitution through two amendments. Give the names of these four languages as also the serial number of amendments.

c. Group C
   i. What are encilites?
   ii. What is Talsur?
   iii. What is Piezoelectricity?
   iv. What do the following stand for?
      i. C-DAT
      ii. SROSS
      iii. INSDOC
   v. What is Shoemaker-Levy 9? Why was it in the news recently?
   vi. What is a gene? Where is it found?

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